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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PK, PINT
SUBJECT: NEW PAK AMBASSADOR TO SWITZERLAND

1. WE UNDERSTAND THAT YUSUF BUCH, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE PRIME MINISTER AND LONG-TIME BHUTTO CONFIDANT, WILL BE ASSIGNED TO SWITZERLAND AS PAK AMBASSADOR. BUCH WAS BHUTTO'S SPECIAL ASSISTANT FOR INFORMATION, WROTE MOST OF BHUTTO'S IMPORTANT SPEECHES AND ARTICLES, AND GENERALLY ADVISED HIM ON SENSITIVE POLITICAL MATTERS.

2. BUCH TOOK EXCEPTION TO THE WAY THE PM HANDLED THE RECENT NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS, ACCUSED HIM OF BEING HEAVY HANDED, AND HAS SINCE BEEN EXCLUDED FROM BHUTTO'S INNER CIRCLE. BHUTTO AND BUCH HAVE WORKED TOGETHER FOR SEVERAL YEARS AND KNOW A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT ABOUT EACH OTHER'S POLITICAL SECRETS. THE PROPOSED ASSIGNMENT, IN BEST PAKISTANI TRADITION, IS A GOOD WAY FOR BHUTTO TO GET RID OF A POLITICAL PROTAGONIST BY AWARDED HIM A PLUSH SINECURE ABROAD.

3. BUCH'S WIFE, AIMEE, IS AN AMERICAN CITIZEN. IF AND WHEN THE ASSIGNMENT IS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED, WE WILL SEND DEPARTMENT AND BERN FURTHER BIO INFORMATION ON BUCH.
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